

# APACHE

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SPECIAL SECTION  
TJC's 60th  
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TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE

Men's tennis team  
No. 1

Plaza to honor  
memory of W.C. Windsor

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to open



# Lasting Contributions . . .



**Mrs. W.C. Windsor,**  
helping make  
Tyler Junior College  
more beautiful.

*Look for details on W.C. Windsor Plaza inside this issue.*

## 60 YEARS OF SERVICE...

As the College begins celebrating its 60th Anniversary year, we naturally reflect on the past in celebrating the accomplishments of our renowned institution. What is the real measure of our strength, and how do we continue as an institution to make a contribution?

Tyler Junior College, just as the society in which we live, finds itself in a turbulent world. Between decades, the College too experiences the struggle of transition. Regardless of one's perspective of the present, the reshaping and transforming of our society move relentlessly forward. The College is positioned to meet the challenges of our day.

A modern writer and theologian, Dr. Robert A. Raines, tells the story of the fate of man and crabs. "...a crab, in order to live and grow must from time discard its shell with its familiar creature comforts. Until it succeeds in creating a new shell it is extremely vulnerable. Its life is passage through successive shells until one day it succeeds too well, and makes a shell so strong and rigid that it can't escape from it. That is the shell in which it dies." Institutions and individuals move through periods of change and vulnerability, just as the crab.

To truly celebrate the accomplishments of Tyler Junior College we must be prepared to support the College through each phase of transition. Celebrations come to those who have the character to stay with a mission. The way we keep ourselves from becoming rigid and hard-shelled is by our giving.

It is only through giving, contributing, and getting excited about the challenges before us that we are able to make lasting contributions for future generations of students. Even America's great free enterprise system, which encourages capital growth through individual initiative, is kept healthy and in balance by those who not only take, but give—not only accumulate and store up, but share. Gifts to Tyler Junior College over its 60 year history have come in several forms, but in the main outstanding community support and the desire to provide post-secondary educational opportunities to all students have enabled the College to build and serve.

Thus, as we enter into our 60th year, perhaps the greatest tribute we can pay Tyler Junior College is to muster the courage to live in the present by rediscovering through our rich heritage those traditions and essential elements that sustain us in any age.

C. C. Baker, Jr.  
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**ON THE COVER** — TJC's 60th Anniversary logo makes its debut on the cover of this issue of the *Apache*. In conjunction with Texas Sesquicentennial, TJC on September 17 will begin a year-long celebration. We will pay homage to our proud past, emphasize today with special college/community events, and take a look at our future. Look for a schedule of events on page 14. Photo by Danny Garrett.

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# DIRECT LINE

## A packet full of memories

by Linda Fleet

*In the still, tranquil pool of today are reflected the myriad activities and ever-changing life of Apacheland. A ripple breaks the surface; the image is gone, and its place is taken by a different picture. In the Apache we have tried to catch a few reflections, to preserve for you the spirit, the throbbing vitality, of this year in your lives. (Foreword from The Apache, the 1936 yearbook of Tyler Junior College.)*

A neatly bound and taped package arrived in my office a few weeks ago, along with an entourage of curiosity from all those through whose hands it passed before being placed on my desk. I wasn't expecting a package, the return address was certainly not familiar . . . the curiosity increased.

After much assistance in locating a pair of scissors, clipping the strapping tape and unwrapping layers of brown paper, the contents were revealed. Quite rare and unexpected, I had received a package of memories . . . gray pages from a scrapbook, pictures, faded ribbons, yellowing newspaper clippings, programs and two TJC yearbooks (1936 and 1937). These reflected the carefully preserved records of successes, honors, friendships and exploits of a young woman, a TJC student, in 1936 and 1937. (The year TJC celebrated its tenth anniversary)

A letter which accompanied these memories began, "Enclosed is my memorabilia of TJC. It has brought pleasure to me for these many years. You can see that it all began in 1936." These are the words of Mrs. Melba Willis Collier of Austin.

She continued, "How have I kept these books — in a cedar chest which I purchased while working at the Carnegie Public Library in 1935, split shift for the depression people."

And what is remembered about Tyler Junior College as being lastingly significant after the passing of 50

years, by a young student who was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and won the TJC tennis championship, playing, as she describes, in wool dresses?

"The two most rewarding things which I received from TJC were 'Miss Allene Brandenburg,' who taught us a love and appreciation of the beauty of the world about us, and a very active, life long friendship with Edith Allen George." (Edith was also a tennis champion, Phi Theta Kappa and the first recipient of the Mattie L. Jones Scholarship). What **was** remembered? . . . teachers and friendships. Are you surprised at what **really** endures the years?

Tyler Junior College begins its 60th Anniversary year this fall, having come together as a college for the first time on September 17, 1926.

*"The falling leaves of 1926 found Tyler Junior College beginning to carve its record on the totem pole of history, with Mr. G. O. Clough as President and Mr. J. M. Hodges as dean, crystalizing the dream of far-sighted citizens." (Apache yearbook, 1937)*

I wonder how many packages of memories are stored in other cedar chests, closets, boxes, attics or hearts that will be taken out this year to join in this celebration . . . a celebration of "firsts" and "lasts" and the "now." Events, even very common ones, seem to take on new and increased significance when they are a first or a last time. There was a first day for TJC — and every TJC student has experienced many firsts . . . first class, first test, first date, first championship, first time away from home. And then come the lasts . . . last time to attend class, last time to eat in the cafeteria, last time to perform as an Apache Belle, cheerleader or athlete, last party and last final — all memories now.

The College urges you, all alumni

and friends of TJC, to bring your memories of firsts and lasts and let's have a very "NOW Celebration" of a special time in your College's history and in the history of the State of Texas with the 150th anniversary of Texas independence.

In the 1936 yearbook, *The Apache*, the following dedication is inscribed.

*In this, the decennial year of the College and the centennial year of the state, we dedicate this book to the far-sighted citizens whose lofty ambition and conscientious efforts have resulted in the establishment and maintenance of Tyler Junior College.*

*They envisioned an institution whose standards and achievements would perpetuate the high idealism and rugged self-sufficiency of those pioneers who founded our great state.*

*This vision has come to pass. Today the fruit of their labor is evident in the wide renown and universal esteem in which the school is held.*

It is especially significant, I feel, that if the same dedication were written today, only the number of years would change. Tyler Junior College continues to have a vision, far-sighted leadership, high standards and a place of renown among colleges in the State and nation.

Thank you Melba Willis Collier for your package of memories. You've reminded us that years do pass by — but there are some constants in our life and in the life of a College. You've also reminded us of what is important and cherished and lasting — and what really perpetuates us and a college.

We are coming of age when we can take our firsts and our lasts and combine joy and some pathos in reunion and a true celebration of the "now." Happy Birthday, TJC.



# DEVELOPMENT NEWS

## Gift establishes W.C. Windsor Plaza

To honor the memory of her husband, Gertrude Buckley Windsor in May presented Tyler Junior College with a \$100,000 gift to be used to develop the W. C. Windsor Plaza on campus.

"The Board and the College as a whole value this gift not only for its financial help but also for the moral support from a woman of great accomplishments and talent," TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins said in accepting the gift for the College.

Construction of the Plaza began this summer and will occupy a 652-foot area of South Mahon Avenue which extends from the south projection of Wagstaff Gymnasium to Lake Street south. The Plaza will provide a pedestrian walkway between two very busy parts of the campus, now separated by the street, and will help unify the campus.

Mrs. Windsor said she envisions W. C. Windsor Plaza as being a place where students can rest, study and enjoy the beauty of flowers.

Carroll Sinclair of Sinclair and Wright is architect for the project. Some factors considered in planning for the architectural design of the Plaza are:

A close-to-nature setting is planned with turf and grass instead of concrete where possible and brick or paving blocks instead of concrete where suitable.

Quiet places for reflection and study will be provided. Benches and ledges with seating surfaces are planned, along with proper lighting and handicapped access. Access will also be provided for repair and emergency vehicles.

Mrs. Windsor organized the first Garden Club in the Texas Prison System in 1950. As the 1972-73 president of the Founders Garden Club of Dallas, her project was the landscaping of the buildings of the Goree

Correctional Unit, the Women's Prison Farm of Texas.

Presented with the first Texas Restoration Award in 1966 by Mrs. John Connally, wife of the then governor, Mrs. Windsor received the award for restoration of the more than a century old Roseland Plantation 11 miles west of Tyler, a spot to which state and national organizations make pilgrimages.

Mrs. Windsor served on the City of Tyler Planning Board 1935-41. Continuously on the board of the Tyler Woman's Forum since a term as president in 1936, she helped organize the East Texas Symphony Orchestra and was its president in 1965. Chairman of the Woman's Division of the United Fund in 1965, she also served on the development committee for Stephens College in 1969-72 and was made an honorary member of the Stephens College Board of Curators in 1972.

She was awarded honorary life membership in Women of the Church of First Presbyterian in 1972 after holding several offices in that organization. She received the Century Club Award from the Tyler YMCA in 1964 and in 1966 the Alumnae Service

Award from Stephens College Alumni Association.

Married to Wilbur C. Windsor in 1916, she was widowed in 1958. She is the mother of the late Gertrude Anne (Mrs. Will Mann) Richardson and Wilbur C. Windsor Jr. and grandmother of 12 and great-grandmother of three.

A current project which Mrs. Windsor has spearheaded is the creation of a central clearinghouse to feed and clothe needy families in Tyler. At a meeting in her home, she, clergymen, pastors and rabbis laid the groundwork for People Attempting To Help (PATH) an agency which is now a reality with a director, an endowment and opportunities for contributions.

"One thing I have found in Tyler: it has the most wonderful people," Mrs. Windsor said. "If you have a project and you want to start it, just tell them it's going to be good for the community. That opens the door. And there is not any other city like Tyler."

Mrs. Windsor said she is looking forward "to working with Dr. Hawkins and his staff on the completion of W. C. Windsor Plaza."



TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins and Mrs. W.C. Windsor.



## Six Presidential Scholars named

Presidential Scholarship winners at Tyler Junior College have been announced, with six outstanding high school seniors each accepting the \$2,000 awards from the \$25,000 endowments.

The Red Little Presidential Scholarship is designated for Brian Keith Miller, salutatorian of John Tyler High School graduating class. A member of the National Honor Society, Miller won first place in the Science Fair, first place in Regional History Fair, and was a participant in Teen-Jury program.

He holds a certificate of Outstanding Achievement in Aerospace Research from NASA and is a member of the Scapel and Probe Society. The computer science major runs a database system out of his house; he purchased the equipment with his own money accumulated from working part time at a local fast food restaurant and operates 24 hours a day with 50-60 calls daily.

Valedictorian of Big Sandy High School graduating class, Melissa Weinbrenner has been chosen for The Josephine and Dan Needham Presidential Scholarship. Secretary of the Big Sandy chapter of the National Honor Society, Weinbrenner has been Girls Club president and a member of FHA and Choir.

She has been on the basketball and track teams and won the Outstanding Athlete Award. Winner of the Mathematics Department Award, she scored first in UIL shorthand and first in debate. Weinbrenner is a computer science major.

The Dorothy Fay and Jack White Presidential Scholarship in Fine Arts goes to music major Amy Amerson of Mount Pleasant High School.

Amerson is a member of the Nike Club, the Spanish Club and the National Honor Society, and ranked 13th in her class. She was chosen All-School Girl in 1984-85. With many accomplishments in music, she was chosen for the Texas All-State Choir in 1984. She has been a member of the All-Region Choir for six years and won first division solo award for three years.

Steven Ryan Harris of Troup High School received the Mastin Gentry White Presidential Scholarship. Named outstanding history student, Harris is a member of the Society of Distinguished American High School Students and is in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

He is Academic All-American and won U.S. Achievement Academy awards in math, science, physical education and English.

Active in all sports, Harris is a four-year letterman in golf. He was a member of the Boy Scouts for six years, a patrol leader and was in the Order of the Arrow. With a major in geophysics and earth science, he works part time at East Texas Testing Lab in Tyler to further his knowledge in his field of study.

Sharon Rene Hess of Robert E. Lee High School was chosen for The Rev. J. E. White and Minnie Gentry White Presidential Scholarship. This psychology major is a member of the National Honor Society and has made the honor roll all four years of high school. In Honors English and mathe-

matics for the last two years, she is a member of the Junior Engineering Technical Society, the German Club and the Band Council. She has been quartermaster for Band and assistant captain in the Flag Corps. She received the English I Award, the National Merit of Recommendation and achieved state solo and ensemble competition levels.

Winner of The Mrs. Royce E. "Petey" Wisenbaker Presidential Scholarship is Melanie Power of T. K. Gorman High School.

A member of the National Honor Society and the Society of Distinguished High School Students, Power made the Principal's Honor Roll all four years of high school.

She was vice president of the senior class, a member of the band, on the newspaper staff and the Student Council. She was on the track and volleyball teams, served as volunteer for Red Cross and Muscular Dystrophy and attended the Muscular Dystrophy Association Camp. This pre-med major is a council member of the Catholic Youth Organization.



Tyler Home Builders Women's Auxiliary presented Tyler Junior College with an \$800 scholarship for four area students pursuing a career in home building or a related field. Presentation of the scholarship was made by Marsha Cook, left, president of the auxiliary, and scholarship chairman Pat Rawlings, to C.C. Baker Jr., associate vice president of development and college relations at TJC.



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Testimony to



professionalism

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by betty nelson



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Johnny Abbey, instructor of office occupations, is a woman who has found her niche in life — one she has carved at Tyler Junior College and remained in for 36 years.

Looking back Abbey said, "I was just one of those people, led by God, to find my niche. It certainly was not my intention to be a teacher. I just fell into it and it was there ready to envelop me."

Talking to the teacher, whose cheerful attitude and professional manner do much to underscore what affect she must have on her students, one is impressed with how dedicated she is to teaching, a profession she entered as "a last minute thing."

Majoring in general business at the University of Texas in Austin, she decided to take an education course for "an easy elective," she said.

She was advised by an instructor that to take the extra hours in education she needed to register in the School of Education. Being one to always do what she is told, Abbey recalls, she registered and, looking back, her fate was sealed.

"My class graduated in January and out of the entire UT graduates in business administration, I was the only B.B.A. person to have registered in the School of Education," Abbey said.

There was a small junior college in Clifton that needed a business teacher, she said, and the dean of the school just happened to be a Texas-ex.

He looked to UT as the place to fill his vacancy and there Abbey was, in the files, the only B.B.A. with an education background.

"So, I went to a place called Clifton Junior College — I had never heard of that little Lutheran college in my life. It had a top enrollment of 200. I was the only business teacher and therefore the department head of business administration. I taught economics, accounting, shorthand and typing. I had fun with it but I didn't want to stay in Clifton with a population of 22½," she said, laughing.

There now appears to have been method in her madness as she set about applying for teaching positions

at various junior colleges in the state using a basketball schedule as a guide.

"I had attended a junior college, which is now UT-Arlington, and I thought, 'Gee, I love the junior college level.' So I tried to remember what schools we played in basketball — I recalled Tyler and Kilgore — and I sent letters of application as the head of the business department to all presidents of the schools on our basketball schedule," Abbey said, her eyes twinkling, as she recalled her mettle.

Returning to Austin to begin work on her master's degree, Abbey was contacted by Dr. Harry Jenkins, who was president of TJC and who would be attending a meeting of junior college presidents in Austin. Could she meet with him? She did and an interview was arranged for her in Tyler.

With hat and gloves, as was the style in 1949, and dressed in her nicest suit, she said, she set off on a train from Austin to Troup. From Troup she caught a bus to Tyler where she was to be met by Dean Edward M. Potter, now Dr. Potter, a member of the TJC Board of Trustees.

"Dr. Jenkins' first question of me at the interview was 'Why do you want to come to Tyler?' I said I needed a job. From then on, he always joked with me that the reason he hired me was because I needed to work," Abbey said.

Her interview was in July and she began to work in September of 1949.

"The reason I got the job was because a teaching position had just been vacated by a lovely woman, Frances Flaherty, who had been teaching secretarial courses, who became registrar . . . so, I took the teaching job. It all happened click, click, click, as if it were planned," she said.

Initiated into teaching with a course in penmanship, Abbey remembers teaching every day, every hour, with a little less than 60 minutes for lunch.

And, although she remembers TJC pre-air conditioning and when TJC acquired its first electric typewriter, she says that things really haven't changed that much.



She says students are the same and the way she presents the course material remains the same. She teaches more than typing, business English, secretarial procedures, office machines, business math, secretarial accounting, accounting and her "baby," executive secretary. Abbey teaches something that goes much deeper — her students learn from her how to become professionals, ones who enjoy their work and who are proud to carry that tag.

And, she is one to practice what she preaches.

"The professional image of the secretary is vital to the whole industry, the whole company. The way we project ourselves will give that impression of neatness and proper grooming to prospective customers. So I fight hard to let my appearance project that," Abbey said.

She tells her students they must enjoy what they are doing: "If you don't enjoy working with people, looking nice and having a variety of things to do in an office while working with professionals, a secretarial career is not for you.

"Once we get into the career aspect of discovering what's important, we establish pride . . . pride in being a woman. I tell my students that the world is waiting for them with their training. They can go anywhere if they'll just stick with me . . . I tell them, 'I'll see to it that the world greets you with open arms,'" Abbey said.

Once accused of conducting her classes like a marine drill sergeant, Abbey said she has mellowed but still retains the constants that are the base of her instruction.

One of her "no-nos" that reflects her dedication to teaching professionalism is that her students must not chew gum in class. "I mean I'll stop a lecture if one of the students is chewing gum," she said.

Another is that she forbids the students to pull paper from a typewriter or to wad up the paper.

Her reasoning?

"Not only is it distracting but I explain to them they are announcing not

only that they made a mistake but they are announcing to their employer they are wasting stationery. I know you are going to make mistakes, but Lord, don't tell everybody about it," she said.

The tip she offers her students is to quietly remove the paper utilizing the paper release lever and crease the paper, and again, quietly, put it in the wastebasket.

"I had a student tell me that she thinks of me when she wads up a piece of paper," she said, with a chuckle.

Of all the students she has instructed and the changing times (from mini-skirts to pants) she has seen, Abbey still believes that the students, entering as freshman, can be grouped into two categories.

First, there's the student who is only in class because "mama says take a business course. Then, there is the student who enters the program voluntarily to prepare for their role of helping to support their husbands," Abbey said.

After two years, one of two things then happens. Either the student decided to have her own career or she decides to transfer.

And, for Abbey, the latter is what is most exciting to her as a teacher.

"That student just entered for two years and then got the spark of pursuit of education. It's like watching a flower bloom. Even though many of the classes won't transfer, they go to another college or university anyway . . . It is really exciting to see them change and to seek professional growth experiences," Abbey said.

Abbey was recognized in 1984 as Outstanding Faculty member by the class of 1954. Also, in 1984, was TJC nominee for the Minnie Stevens Piper Award.

Currently working on her doctorate from East Texas State University, Abbey is also very active in conducting professional seminars and is affiliated with many professional organizations.

She is married to William A. Abbey Jr., and they have two daughters, Kristin and Donna, both graduates of TJC.





# ON CAMPUS

## A hero by any name

James Richardson, a Tyler Junior College student and an employee of Gibraltar Chemical Resources, was credited with saving the lives of three men who were overcome by methane gas in a Winona sewer May 29.

According to a report in the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* May 30, one of the men, a City of Winona worker, passed out from exposure to the gas while cleaning a Winona sewer. The two other men were overcome by the toxic gas while trying to save him.

Richardson and a co-worker, Kenny Saxon, were at a nearby gas station when they were alerted to the dangerous situation.

"I got there and realized no one was going down so I went," Richardson told a reporter from the Tyler paper. "I was doing what I had to do."

According to the report, Richardson tied a rope around his waist, took a deep breath and went down a ladder into the sewer while Saxon waited

above ground to take the victims out.

After descending the 10-foot-deep drain, Richardson said he tied a rope around one man and Saxon pulled him to safety. Richardson said he then went back up for air, waited approximately 30 seconds to catch his breath and descended twice again to rescue the others.

"I breathed some of the gas — got a little woozy — but I got enough air to keep going down," Richardson said.

"When all three were out, I gave them mouth-to-mouth resuscitation until I was confident they were breathing well," Richardson told the reporter.

One of the victims lost his struggle and died June 3 at a Tyler hospital. The other two victims have been released from the hospital.

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*EDITOR'S NOTE: For his heroic deed, Richardson is recipient of the East Texas Peace Officers Association's "Award of Excellence."*

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## 'Mellerdrammer' is summer theatre fare

Billed as a dashing Western romance, *Deadwood Dick, or The Game of Gold*, played to capacity crowds in June. The production was part of a theatre workshop offered this summer at Tyler Junior College.

The production marked the first time for the Speech/Theatre program to extend its performance dates — the "mellerdrammer," directed by instructor Clarence Strickland, ran for three nights with a Sunday matinee.

Strickland said, "As typical with this type of theatre, there were lots of heroes, villains, damsels in distress and plenty of plots with twists and turns . . . just good clean fun for the sake of good clean fun."

All members of the cast were enrolled in Theatre 123W, a theatre workshop offered during the first summer term.

Cast members included Keith Schmidt as Ned Harris, alias Deadwood Dick. Schmidt is a pre-med major and is a freshman from Tyler. Wild Bill Hickok, Deadwood's "heckfur-leather pard" was portrayed by graduating sophomore Raymond Kester of Whitehouse, who was last

seen as George in *Of Mice and Men*.

Lily Blossom, a tender prairie flower, was played by Tyler sophomore Emily Hart, whose previous TJC stage appearance was as Babe in *Crimes of the Heart*. Rose Blossom, Lily's sister was freshman Reland Garrett of Whitehouse.

Blackman Redburn, a true villain, was played by Tyler sophomore Rusty Gates, who was the lead in the spring production of *The Doctor in Spite of Himself*.

Other cast members included Cindy Moody, a Whitehouse sophomore, as Calamity Jane, the owner of the Man-Trap Saloon; Jean Hagan, a graduating sophomore from Whitehouse, as the exotic adventurer, La Paloma; Sheriff Loveless, the desperate lawman, which was played by Steve Reily, a Tyler sophomore; Linda Wagner of Tyler, as Molly Loveless; Michelle Curry of Tyler, as the Barmaid; Jere Hunter of Tyler as the Undertaker; Gregory Rogers of Brownsboro as the barkeep, Chet; and Stacy Durham of Whitehouse as the young, forlorn cowboy.

## Learning to play the eighty-eight

For the fourth summer, TJC offered beginning piano classes for persons interested in learning to play the piano, or for those who just wanted to rediscover an interest from childhood.

Larry Marta, music instructor at TJC who taught the course, said anyone was allowed to enroll — no musical background was required, only "an interest in learning the piano . . . it was a fun thing. We were not preparing students for the concert stage."

Twelve electronic pianos were utilized, Marta explained. Each student was given a pair of headsets so that they may hear only what they were playing and the instructor. The instructor could also hear the students individually.



## ADN students pinned in ceremony

As a feature of Texas Nurse Week May 5-11, 38 associate degree nursing students from Tyler Junior College participated in a pinning ceremony May 11 in Glenwood United Methodist Church.

The three different types of nursing programs were explained by Marie Jackson, TJC coordinator of AD nursing. "The three-year diploma nursing is fast disappearing, though it was certainly a viable process in the past decades. Much more in evidence now are the two-year associate degree nursing and the four-year baccalaureate degree programs."

The students who were pinned are all eligible to receive Registered Nursing licensure, Jackson said. In 1984, associate degree nursing students taking the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses from 37 Texas colleges scored 62 percent above the national mean.

## Prexy, VP on committees

Two Tyler Junior College executive officers recently served on Accreditation Committees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins, president of Tyler Junior College, served as the chairman of the committee that reviewed the operations of Thomas Nelson Community College in Hampton, VA.

Hawkins and the committee, which included representatives from colleges in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee and North Carolina, made suggestions and recommendations to SACS which will assist in determining if the school's accreditation is renewed.

Dr. Raymond Van Cleef, vice president of educational and student services, was a member of the committee evaluating Miami-Dade Community College, the nation's fifth largest institution of higher learning, in Miami, FL. Serving on the committee were college officials from Virginia, Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, Mississippi, Georgia and Texas, including Harlingen, Brownsville, Mesquite, Amarillo, Snyder, Fort Worth, Dallas, El Paso and Houston.

Van Cleef served as a leader of the Campus Studies group, which looked at the college's Medical Center Campus.

## New alumni officers told

New officers and directors for the Tyler Junior College Alumni Association have been announced. Officers are: president, Radford Tarry, D.D.S. '74 of Tyler; vice president, Andy Beilitz '81 of Whitehouse; secretary, Nancy Portwood Crawford '72 of Tyler; executive secretary/treasurer, Emma Lou Prater, '47 of Tyler; and parliamentarian, Joy Watson '67 of Tyler.

Directors include: Charles

Bronaugh '75 of Tyler; Lexie Palmore '67 of Tyler; Karen D. Scroggins Thedford '73 of Whitehouse; Vickie Alfred '73 of Tyler; Sharonne Barton '63 of Tyler; David Crawford '71 of Tyler; Jim Deason '66 of Tyler; Susan Garrison '72 of Tyler; W. Harold Martin '71 of Tyler; Sherry Patterson '70 of Longview; Paul Peters '26 of Tyler; Leo Rudd '54 of Tyler; and Athena Russell '75 of Tyler.

# A spring fling of health and high jinks

Apple peeling, hog calling, funny face and rooster crowing contests, and domino and "42" tournaments were only a few of the festivities on tap for senior citizens who came to campus for a Mayfest and Health Fair.

The Mayfest began at 8:30 a.m. The Health Fair was from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and featured booths representing approximately 30 health-related businesses. Participants from the area served by the East Texas Council of Governments, including Anderson, Camp, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison,

Henderson, Marion, Panola, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Upshur, Van Zandt and Wood counties attended.

The events were sponsored by Smith County Nutrition and Fellowship Project, ETCOG, City of Tyler Parks and Recreation Department, Smith County Extension Agency-Home Economics, in cooperation with the TJC Continuing Education Office. Nursing students from the TJC vocational nursing program and the University of Texas at Tyler nursing department assisted.





# EVENTS CALENDAR

## AUGUST

- 8 East Texas Open Tennis Tournament, 8-12  
TJC and other tennis courts in Tyler, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 22 State Insurance Test, 22-23  
Fine Arts Building, 2-5 p.m.
- 27 Fall Registration  
Wagstaff Gymnasium,  
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- 28 Fall Registration,  
Wagstaff Gymnasium  
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- 31 Apache Band and Apache Belles  
Perform at Cowboys vs Oilers  
Game, Dallas.
- 21 TJC vs Kilgore College,  
Rose Stadium, 7:30 p.m.  
GED Test,  
Vaughn Conservatory
- 26 Roger Crawford handicapped  
tennis player and motivational  
speaker on tennis,  
Wagstaff Gymnasium,  
11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- 28 TJC vs Northeastern Oklahoma  
A&M, Miami, OK, 7:30 p.m.

## OCTOBER

- 1 Exhibit on Texas History, 1-31  
Vaughn Library and Learning  
Resources Center
- 5 TJC vs Blinn College,  
Rose Stadium, 7:30 p.m.  
GED Test,  
Vaughn Conservatory, 7 a.m.  
East Texas Open Tennis Tourna-  
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in Tyler, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 6 East Texas Open Tennis  
Tournament, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 9 Seminar — "Need for Energy,"  
Watson W. Wise and Emma  
Wise Cultural Arts Center, noon
- 12 TJC vs Navarro College,  
Corsicana, TX, 7:30 p.m.  
SAT Test
- 17 Theatre TJC (TBA), 17-20
- 19 TJC vs Cisco Junior College,  
Rose Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
- 22 Theatreworks USA "Play to Win,"  
Wise Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.
- 26 TJC vs Ranger Junior College,  
Ranger, TX, 7:30 p.m.  
ACT Test  
East Texas Open Tennis  
Tournament, 26-27  
TJC and other tennis courts in  
Tyler, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 "Treasure, People, Ships and  
Dreams," 2-27  
Vaughn Library and Learning  
Resources Center  
Labor Day Holiday  
(all offices closed)
- 3 First day of classes
- 3 Late Fall Registration,  
Wagstaff Gymnasium, 1-8 p.m.
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- 5 TJC vs Blinn College,  
Brenham, 7:30 p.m.  
Late Fall Registration,  
Wagstaff Gymnasium, 1-8 p.m.
- 7 GED Test,  
Vaughn Conservatory, 7 a.m.
- 14 TJC vs Pasadena City College,  
Rose Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

## May we brag on you?

If you are a TJC graduate or former student, we want to know how you're doing and what you're doing. A lot of people care about you so don't be modest. Please fill out the form below and mail it to us.

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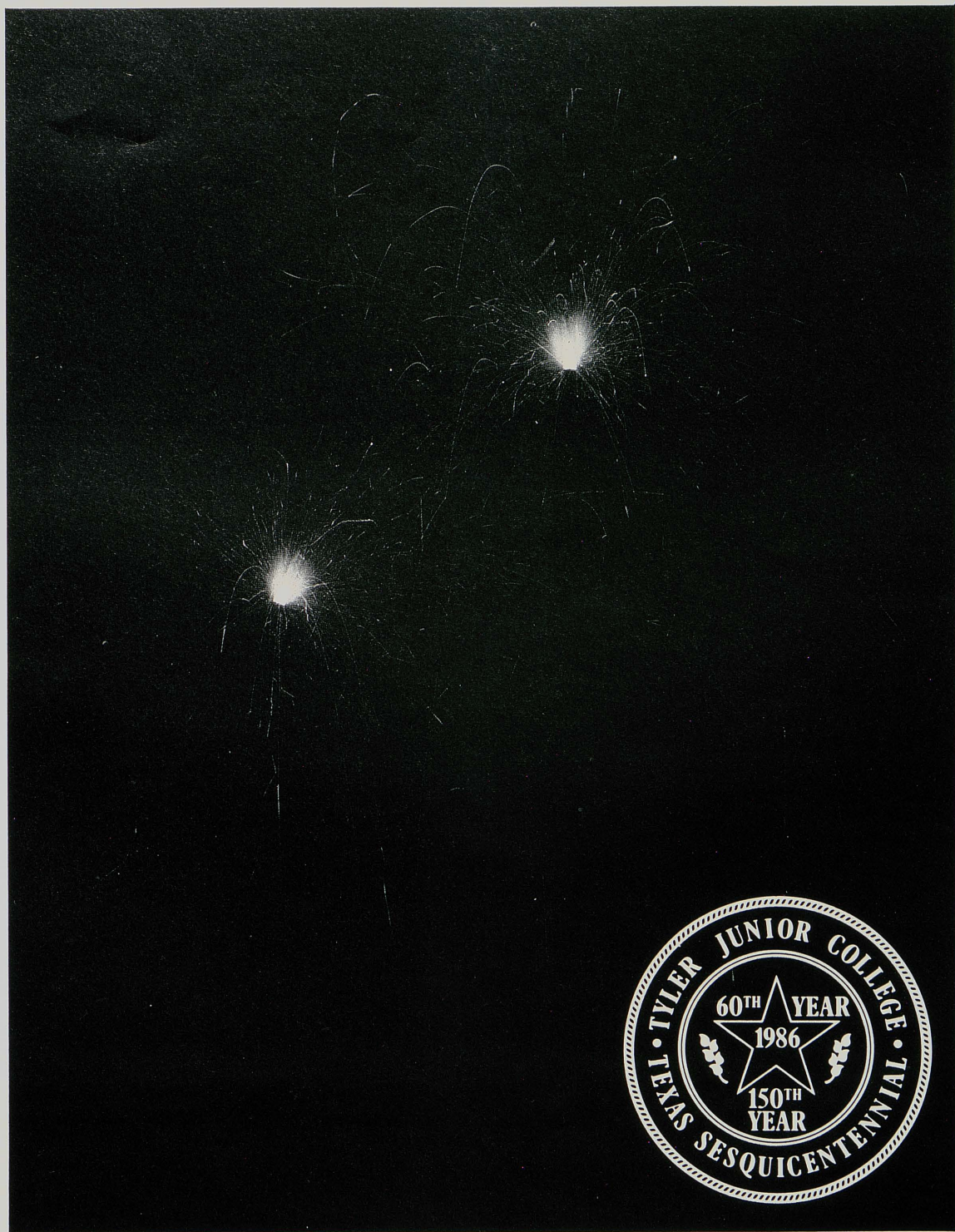
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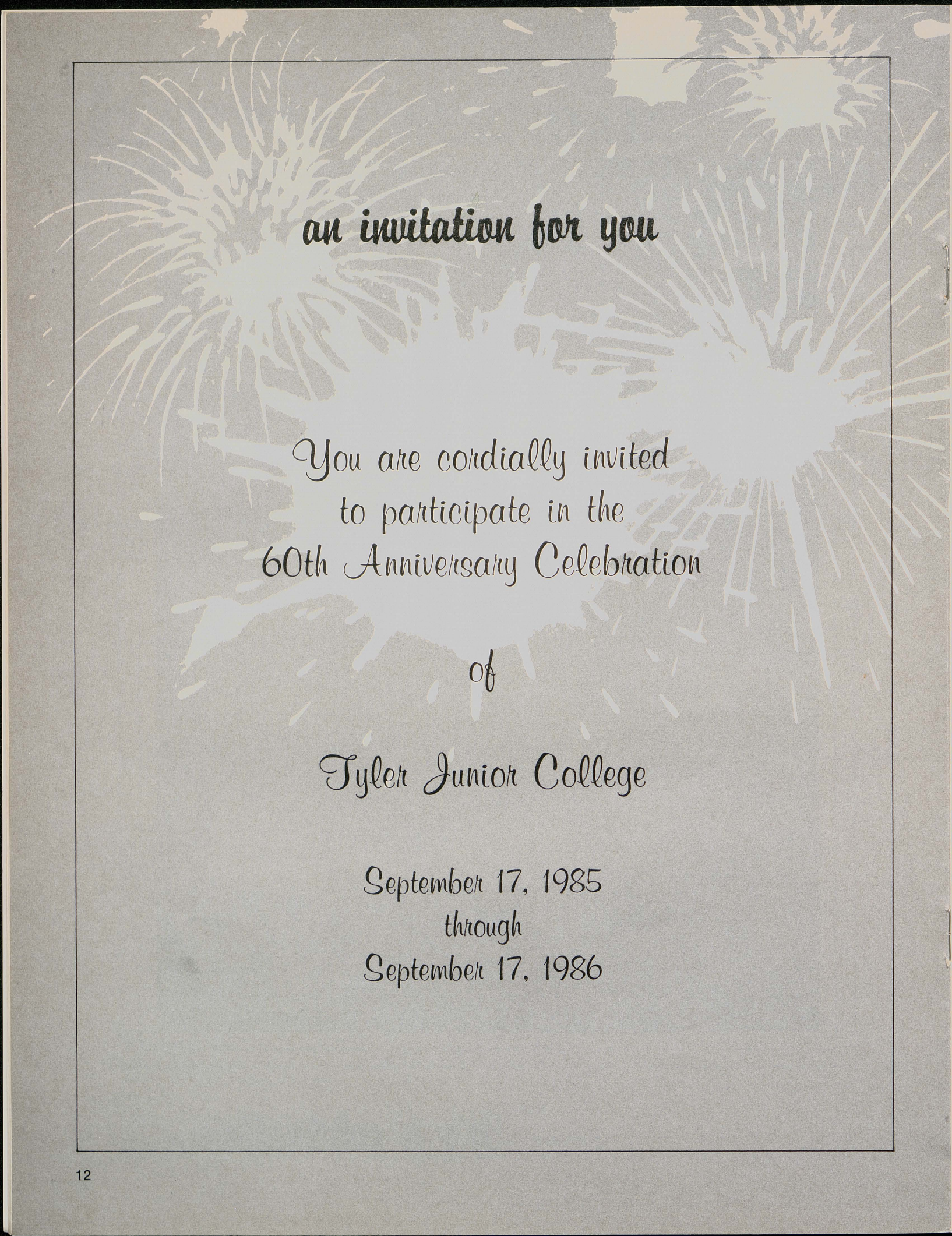
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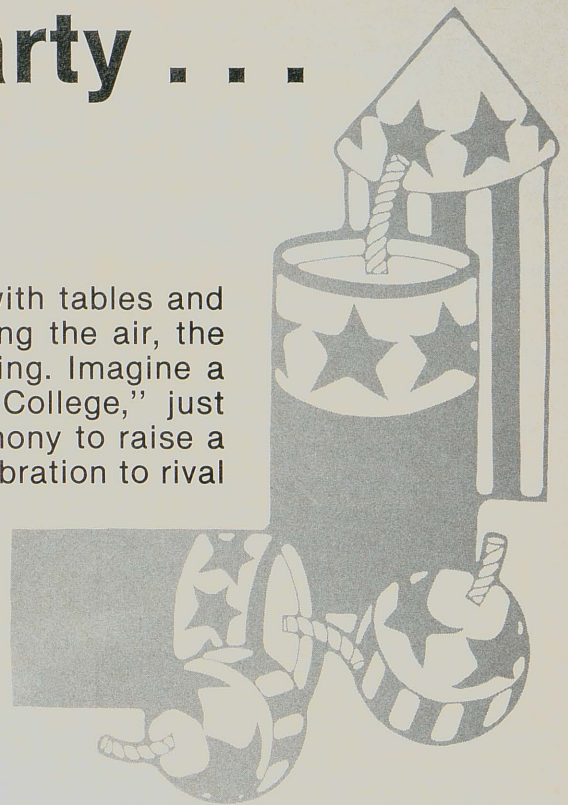
*September 17, 1986*



# TJC is having a party . . . 'Y'all come!'

Imagine the lawn in front of Jenkins Hall covered with tables and chairs beneath tents, the smell of barbecue permeating the air, the Apache Band playing and the Apache Belles performing. Imagine a huge cake, inscribed "Happy Birthday Tyler Junior College," just waiting to be cut and eaten. Top that off with a ceremony to raise a special TJC 60th Anniversary flag, and you have a celebration to rival the Fourth of July.

This is what awaits all who attend the Founder's Day Celebration on September 17 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Classes will be dismissed during that period so that students can join faculty, staff, former students, State, district and city dignitaries, and friends of the College in kicking off what promises to be a landmark year.



## Pirtle Tech Phase 5 dedication set

A reality at last, Phase 5 of the George W. Pirtle Technology Center will officially open Sept. 17 with a brief dedication ceremony scheduled at 9:30 a.m. in front of the Center's tower. Immediately after the dedication a reception will be held in the conference area on the ground floor, followed by a tour of the new facility.

Phase 5 opening is the first activity of Tyler Junior College's 60th Anniversary Celebration. It seems fitting to begin this special birthday year honoring Mr. Pirtle, a man who for 29 years has given so generously of his time and money to TJC, Richard Minter, dean of technology, said.

"The College's technology facilities and programs, as we know them today, are a direct result of Mr. Pirtle's philanthropy and personal interest. Without him, they might not have been. Technology at Tyler Junior College and Mr. Pirtle — it's impossible to separate the two."

It all began during Pirtle's 16-year-tenure as a TJC Board of Trustees member, 1956-72. The College grew rapidly during those years both in stu-

dent enrollment and expanding services. Because he saw the need for a facility to house TJC technical programs, the first technology building was completed in 1966. As the program grew a south wing was added to the main Technology Building, thanks to the generosity of Pirtle. When the


wing was dedicated in 1970, the building was named in his honor.

Through large contributions from Pirtle, a north wing was added in 1976 and another building was constructed in 1981, both to accommodate increased student enrollment in the popular occupational programs.

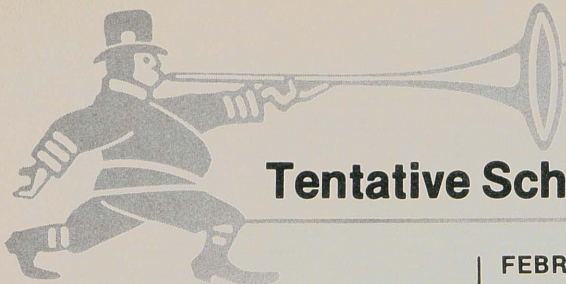
## TJC: Opportunity With Excellence

The original Tyler Junior College was established in 1926 as a part of the Tyler Public School System and on September 17 of that year, 93 students gathered in the old Tyler High School Building for a formal opening. Then in 1945, voters established a new, independent Tyler Junior College District and in 1946 erected a new College plant on its own campus. Through the years the College has grown from a handful of students to a 73-acre campus with 27 buildings and an en-

rollment of over 7,000.

President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins has announced the anniversary theme, *TJC: Opportunity With Excellence*. "We believe this theme depicts the College in 1926 as well as today. We are proud of our rich heritage, proud of our accomplishments, and proud to be part of the progressive East Texas area," Hawkins said. "TJC, 60 years young, is uniquely yours, and we hope you will join us for all activities planned during our birthday year." 





## Tentative Schedule of Events

### SEPTEMBER, 1985

- 17 Pirtle Technology Center Phase 5 opening, 9:30 a.m., front of Pirtle Tower.
- 17 Founder's Day Celebration, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the front lawn of the campus.
- 2-27 "Treasure, People, Ships and Dreams" exhibit in the Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center. This exhibit communicates the voyage, shipwreck and excavation of three ships which sank off the coast of Texas in 1554.

### OCTOBER, 1985

- 21- Gala, "Tyler Junior College Mar., 60th Texas Sesquicentennial" 1986 and "Return of Halley's Comet," in Hudnall Planetarium.

- 30- Homecoming Week. In addition Nov. 2 to Campus Capers, campus walk and displays, barbecue, Homecoming Queen and the football game between TJC and Henderson County Junior College, the TJC Alumni Association is planning other special events. Look for details in the fall issue of the *Apache*.

- 4-29 "El Vaquero" exhibit in the Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center. This exhibit portrays the Mexican cowboy in Texas.

- 9 Pops Concert. TJC's Harmony and Understanding and Concert Choir and Smith County Philharmonic will recognize the College's 60th Anniversary and Texas Sesquicentennial through music.

- 12 Student Enrichment Series in Wise Auditorium. Alex Haley, author of *Roots* and *Henning*, will be on campus for a speaking engagement.

### JANUARY, 1986

- 16 *A History of Tyler Junior College*, by TJC history instructors Dr. Robert Glover and Linda Cross, makes its debut. Details for a special launching of this book will be forthcoming in the *Apache*.

### FEBRUARY, 1986

- 4 Student Enrichment Series in Wise Auditorium. Dr. Vladimir Sakharov, a Soviet trained diplomat will be on campus. His speech, "Computer Espionage and Star Wars," will give a unique insight into American and Soviet intelligence.
- 21 Student Enrichment Series in Wise Auditorium. T. R. Fehrenbach, author of *Seven Keys to Texas* and *Lone Star*, will be on campus for a speaking engagement.
- 21-22 East Texas Historical Association meetings in Watson W. Wise and Emma Wise Cultural Arts Center. In store for Friday evening, February 21, is a speaker (to be announced later) followed by a reception. Four sessions will be featured Saturday morning, February 22, followed by a luncheon with T. R. Fehrenbach as guest speaker.
- 5-28 "Lone Star and Eagle" exhibit in the Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center. This exhibit takes a look at German heritage in Texas.

### MARCH, 1986

- TJC students will develop and publish a literary magazine from classroom writings. Included will be essays, poetry and short stories involving TJC history, and culture and folklore of Texas history.
- 4 Old Fashion Spring Fling. This gala is being planned by the TJC Student Senate and will feature a box lunch picnic on campus. Students will be encouraged to dress in "old fashion" attire.
- 20-23 18th Annual TJC Musical, in Wise Auditorium. A Broadway musical from the 1920s or 1930s will be presented.
- 31 "Scholars, Scoundrels and Schoolteachers: Education in Texas" exhibit in the Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center. To coincide with this exhibit, a special display of materials about Texas public schools from 1882 to present has been arranged.

### APRIL, 1986

- Drama Production, in the Jean Browne Theatre in the Watson W. Wise and Emma Wise Cultural Arts Center. Written by TJC speech/drama instructor David Crawford, this original play will be a drama on family relationships during the turn of the 19th Century in Galveston. "Hands on Art" on campus. The TJC art program will provide opportunities for visitors to actually paint, sculpt, weave, turn clay on a wheel and design. Visitors can also watch students work in these areas, as well as view an exhibit of works by the art faculty.
- 19 Texas Sesquicentennial Anniversary celebration at the Annual Conference for Rotary International District 583 (April 17-20 in Marshall). TJC is invited to participate as one of the 14 colleges and universities in Rotary District 583. TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins will attend and take a TJC group to perform at the conference.
- 21 Texas Sesquicentennial Day. TJC will coordinate with city and State plans to be developed by the Tyler Sesquicentennial Committee.

### MAY, 1986

- 25-31 National Junior College Athletic Association National Men's Tennis Tournament. This is a first for TJC and Tyler, and 300-400 tennis players representing 40 junior colleges from across the nation are expected to participate.

### JULY, 1986

- 3 TJC, through the Tyler Cultural Events Committee, will sponsor an outdoor musical at Bergfeld Park.

### SUMMER, 1986

TJC will sponsor two Texas plays: *Lu Ann Hampton Laverty*, the story of a young girl growing up in West Texas; and *Greater Tuna*, a comic view of Texas life in Tuna, Texas.

### SEPTEMBER, 1986

- 17 Convocation, on campus. A formal convocation will be held to commemorate the 60-year-history of Tyler Junior College.



# THE APACHE SPOTLIGHT

## Ever onward and upward

by Betty Nelson

Barbara Caserta believes every day is a base upon which you build because, she says, if you are not learning you're not living.

And, for this Tyler businesswoman, who has never lost sight of her learning/living correlation, the foundation that started her on her road to success is Tyler Junior College.

Graduating from high school at age 16, her father urged, in fact, she said, demanded, that she go straight to the University of Texas in Austin.

"I told him, 'I'm too green, I can't handle this,'" Caserta recalls.

She won her father over to her way of thinking and began the fall semester at TJC in 1949, just barely 17. Looking back, she realizes that her days there really did lay the groundwork for her success not only at UT but for later when she entered the business world. A rudimentary part of her experience at TJC was learning a discipline crucial to academic well-being.

"When I graduated from high school," she said, "I had no idea how to study."

At TJC, she got the guidance she needed from teachers who cared and she learned to apply herself. One teacher she remembers as being extremely strict on those who came to class unprepared.

"I really think it (TJC) was more outstanding than the University of Texas . . . I was able to succeed at UT because of the good teachers at TJC . . . I could never, ever have made it at UT without TJC," Caserta said.

Her successful business endeavors after graduating from UT in 1953 can be traced to that base and to her positive outlook despite some unsettling setbacks.

Caserta looks upon her life in periods, she said, laughing. This period she calls "my self-indulgent years."

She owns half-interest in the London Shop, a fine antiques shop in Tyler. An established store in Tyler for

15 years, the other owner, Kay Forman, is Caserta's first cousin.

"It is extremely hard work but it is so exciting," Caserta said. Her eyes light up and she is almost incredulous when she explains part of her responsibilities — shopping in England.



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"We go all over London. We shop hard . . . but to have a teacher like Kay is so tremendous," Caserta said.

Caserta has opened up, behind the London Shop, another shop, Union Jack, which is operated by her son, Harry L. Caserta Jr., a former TJC student.

"The antiques in the Union Jack are cheap and cheerful, ones young people can afford . . . I think there is a real need in Tyler and we are all really excited about it," she added.

Caserta began her business life working for Humble Oil and Refining in Houston after graduation from UT. She then moved back to Tyler with Humble and had two children, Harry Jr., born in 1958, and Kay Caserta, born in 1961.

But, in 1965, her husband became very ill, "a terminal situation," and Caserta committed herself to helping her husband, because she said, "Where there's life, there's hope."

Determined, she went to Houston and trained for six months on how to operate an artificial kidney machine, which she operated for two years in her home in Tyler so her husband could have the dialysis treatments without having to leave his home and family.

He died in January of 1969.

While her husband had been ill, Caserta got her real estate license and then her broker's license in 1970. She opened an office, Caserta Realty, and began to build houses, low-cost ones primarily for young people wanting their first home.

"I gradually became inactive in the real estate business. I still have my broker's license and I still do some work for family and myself and a few close friends," Caserta said.

Besides the London Shop, Caserta has investments in oil and gas and a Tyler restaurant, The Royal Pagoda.

She is content to continue on in Tyler because "if I could live anywhere in the whole world, it would be right here. I love Tyler . . . my roots are here. It is the place where my parents and grandparents were raised," she said.

And, with roots like that, there won't be any crumbling of Caserta's base.



When Betty Summers decided to play tennis for Tyler Junior College in the fall of '83, many eyebrows raised. After all she was 41 years old, married and mother of a 7-year-old son, a UT Austin graduate and former Texas Rose Queen. Why would someone in her early 40's want to participate in intercollegiate tennis at a junior college competing with women half her age? Only the coach and possibly one member of the team thought she would last the season.

But last she did, and this spring played singles for TJC in the National Junior College Women's Tennis Tournament in Ocala, FL. Although the TJC women finished second in the tournament Betty advanced to the semifinals and returned to Tyler with All-American honors. Last year at nationals she played doubles and advanced to the finals where she and her partner suffered their only loss all year.

She nonchalantly discusses these events over a cup of coffee in the living room of her home in Tyler. Flashing a smile that must have made her a charming rose queen, she explains where all this has taken her today.

"It was really my husband Dick's fault," she says. "One year for my birthday he gave me tennis lessons and a membership to a tennis club. And the next year on my birthday I still hadn't gone to the tennis club — that's how excited I was." But finally she did take a few of the lessons, although not the full amount. Somewhere later she completed them and began to play in earnest. "No one at the tennis club wanted to play with me because I wasn't good enough," she says, "so I would go out to Lee (High School) just before 5 o'clock and I'd get the court. Then the men would come and if they wanted to play, they had to play with me because I had the court."

People who played tennis with her didn't believe she would ever be very good because she didn't have the "killer instinct," she says. "But I don't believe you have to compete on that basis. I don't play the person, I play the ball. The person is not your

enemy, it's the ball, getting the ball over the net. I believe your goal is to perform as close to perfection as you can, and that is the basis you approach it on."

In the next few years she played in many tournaments, mostly doubles, "my forte," she says. And one tournament that holds a special memory was the East Texas Open — her first. "My partner and I got to the third round by default and then the only points we won came from our opponent's double faults."

Betty says she has no idea why Dick chose tennis lessons as a gift except perhaps that he wanted to get her to do something that would lead to a little more conventional lifestyle. "I used to stay up all night," she explains. "We lived on a ranch and I'd read all night long. When Dick got up around six or so, we'd have breakfast



and he'd go to work and I'd go to bed. Then he'd come in and get me up and I'd fix lunch, then dress for the day."

During that time she was working afternoons at the Tyler Museum of Arts as a volunteer hanging exhibits and filling out exhibit and insurance reports. She would leave the museum in early evening, go home and have dinner with Dick and then read all night.

Betty's first association with TJC actually began back in 1958 when she enrolled in the College having passed the GED tests. She skipped her senior year in high school because she had more credits than she needed just completing her junior year. High school for Betty was Catholic boarding schools in St. Louis and New York. She attended TJC for one year before transferring to UT.

Her next association with the College began when she started taking tennis lessons from former TJC tennis coach Fred Kniffen. "Fred would tell me some of his problems like what he needed to do out at the College with the team," she says. "Fred would say 'if only I could get you to come and play out there.' We joked about it for years and then the eligibility requirements were changed and he asked me if I'd consider doing it. (In 1983 NJCAA ruled that students who hadn't played sports in a four-year school were now eligible to participate) And I said I'd think about it. Again, it was Dick. When we talked about it Dick said, 'what do you mean . . . there's no conversation about it. How can you not do something like that if you have the opportunity?'"

She says her relationship with the young women on the teams was good. She was aware a lot of talk was going on behind her back the first year but it was much later that she learned all the team members had bets on whether or not she would make it through the season. The team this year, under the leadership of the new tennis coach Robert Cox, was an exceptional group of girls to be with, she says. "So many are foreigners and they have been away from home a long time, and you've got to mature under those kinds of circumstances. When you're in someone else's country you learn to adapt and you do it pretty quickly . . . and I felt the girls had that adaptability."

Betty says she is not really sorry to see her junior college tennis career end. "It was difficult — very hectic," she says. "And no, I will not play for UT Tyler. I can't eligibility wise but even if I could, I doubt that I would. I don't think I could stand up to two more years of that and I don't think it's fair." She says Dick and son Ty were "marvelous" about her involvement but that she wants to spend more time with them. "And there were things Ty wanted to do, like the Suzuki music, but I just couldn't do it. He will take the lessons this fall at TJC."

Betty will also be back at TJC this

# more than a match



fall but only as a student. She plans to take some more computer science courses, probably more classical guitar lessons, and very possibly sing again with the College concert choir.

She recalls many amusing things that happened in the last two years. The most recent was at the national tournament this spring. One of the tournament referees tagged her "steady Betty" and she says the Florida press acted like they had discovered a "living fossil." But, she says, other women like herself are beginning to play intercollegiate tennis. In fact, a couple of TJC team members ran up to her during the tournament and said, "Betty! we just played a lady this morning even older than you!"

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*Read more about the National Junior College Athletic Association Tennis Championships in the Sports Apache Style section on the following pages.*

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# SPORTS APACHE STYLE

## Upbeat pigskin season ahead

by Liz Caffrey

When you think about Tyler Junior College football, winning tradition comes to mind.

The TJC Apaches have a winning tradition that goes so far back, that it's hard to comprehend what losing is. And if things go as planned for head coach Charlie McGinty and assistants Rick Langley and Delton Wright, the Apaches should be in for an upbeat 1985.

TJC's football schedule this fall is a killer.

And a thriller.

Not only are the Apaches playing the usuals, like Kilgore College (twice), Henderson County Junior College and Blinn, TJC has also scheduled some of the toughest opponents in the nation.

Like Pasadena City College and Northeastern Oklahoma A&M.

And those don't even include the Texas Junior College Football Conference's three re-entries — Navarro, Ranger and Cisco.

"We are very pleased with our new schedule," offered McGinty, who begins his eighth year at TJC's helm. "We've added three new schools and scheduled Pasadena City College to a home and home. They are one of the best junior colleges and one of the largest in California. They play in the Rose Bowl and are always rated in the top two or three in the nation."

The Apaches used to play Pasadena regularly. That's when former TJC coach Floyd Wagstaff was calling the Apaches' plays.

McGinty hopes to renew that former tradition and keep it alive as TJC travels to Los Angeles for the 1986 meeting between the two squads.

TJC's other nonconference opponents are not to be overlooked either. Year-in and year-out, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M is nationally ranked.

Every year the Apaches have traveled to Miami, OK for the contest, the Golden Norsemen have come away

with the win and everytime NEO plays in Rose Stadium, the Apaches have come out on top, most recently a 7-0 victory last season.

Perhaps tradition in this case can reverse itself when TJC meets NEO in Miami Sept. 28.

"NEO will be one of the better games for us this season," predicted McGinty. "Since I've been on the staff out here, we've beaten them two times here and they've beaten us two times up there."

The Apaches other nonconference opponents are Blinn and Kilgore. TJC remeets Blinn Oct. 5 and Kilgore Nov. 16 in TCJFC play.

Then TJC gets into the thick of its league slate.

Starting off with Blinn, TJC plays at always-tough Navarro Oct. 12, hosts Cisco, another football power, Oct. 19, travels to rowdy Ranger Oct. 26, hosts Henderson County for Homecoming Nov. 2, is open Nov. 7, and plays at Kilgore Nov. 16.

"The games with Kilgore are always exciting," McGinty said. "And, of course, we've always had a big rivalry with Henderson County."

"A lot of people don't realize how tough Cisco is. They are established in getting kids to transfer and having a lot of kids on their teams. Navarro, Cisco and Ranger have as good a chance as anyone to win the conference this year."

It's hard to pick a preseason favorite.

You can never count out TJC, Kilgore or Henderson County, which all bring back a wealth of talent plus they can rely on several impressive returnees.

Then again, Ranger, Navarro and Cisco are no slouches either.

There are just so many unknowns. "This is the hardest schedule we've ever had," McGinty says, "It's one of the better schedules in the nation as far as toughness. We feel like this

schedule will draw a better crowd. If we are fortunate to go through the schedule without a defeat, with this type of schedule, we will be rated No. 1 in the nation."

TJC will perform this fall without the services of All-American running back Ronnie Ducksworth, since Ducksworth, who's one of the all-time leading rushers in Texas junior college football history, is turning professional after starring for the Apaches two seasons.

But TJC returns enough people in skill positions that going into the season, the future looks bright.

TJC brings back three quarterbacks, along with key defensive people and capable running backs and receivers. The only question mark, at this stage, is the jelling of the offensive line which features several promising freshmen.

But, compared to the other teams in the conference, McGinty doesn't see the Apaches as being ahead of the others.

Not yet, anyway.

"I can't really say we have any advantages, except we have good quality kids coming back," he said. "And we've had a good recruiting year. Our recruits should help us immediately. Locally, I feel like we've done well recruiting and that will bring in more people to watch the games at Rose Stadium."

Increasing attendance at Rose Stadium on Saturday nights this fall is one of the major goals of McGinty and Co., with the help of TJC's administration.

"Of course we feel like we can draw more people with our attractive schedule," said TJC director of intercollegiate athletics Dr. Billy Jack Doggett. "This is one of the best schedules we've had in a long time and we want to highly publicize it."

Some highlights of the upcoming football season being planned are to



feature youth football and soccer teams before games, continue Drill Team Night, where a variety of East Texas area drill teams join TJC's famous Apache Belles during pregame and at halftime. And new Apache football uniforms will be unveiled when TJC hosts Pasadena.

Additionally, the Apache Belles and Apache Band are always part of football festivities and the showdown between TJC and Kilgore at Rose Stadium Sept. 21 is sure to be a hit.

"Another thing we hope to do," continued Doggett, "is to designate as official hosts the two teams that went to the Little Rose Bowl out in California (in 1952 and '60). We want to specially recognize them at the (Pasadena) game."

So football 1985 for the Tyler Junior College Apaches looks promising with a tough and impressive schedule and loads of special events.

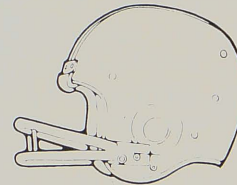
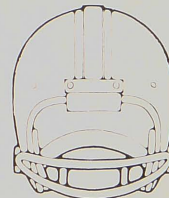
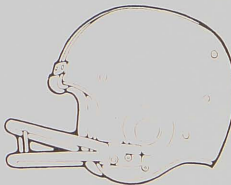
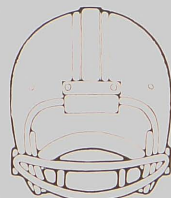
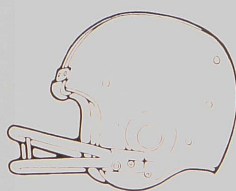
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## Apache Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sept. 5	Blinn	Brenham	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Pasadena City	Tyler	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Kilgore	Tyler	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Northeastern Oklahoma	Miami, OK	7:30 p.m.
* Oct. 5	Blinn	Tyler	7:30 p.m.
* Oct. 12	Navarro	Corsicana	7:30 p.m.
* Oct. 19	Cisco	Tyler	7:30 p.m.
* Oct. 26	Ranger	Ranger	7:30 p.m.
** Nov. 2	HCJC	Tyler	7:30 p.m.
* Nov. 9	Open		
* Nov. 16	Kilgore	Kilgore	7:30 p.m.

\*Conference Game

\*\*Homecoming



## Highlights: coaches Langley and Wright

What would Tyler Junior College head football coach Charlie McGinty do without his assistant coaches?

The answer: probably not get anything done.

That's how important Rick Langley and Delton Wright are to the Apache football program and its success.

Langley and McGinty go back a long way, almost 15 years, when McGinty hired Langley as an assistant at C. E. King High School in Houston.

When McGinty, a former All-American gridder for TJC, took over the head coaching position at TJC beginning with the 1978 season, Langley came along with him to Apacheland.

Wright, on the other hand, has his roots in East Texas and came to TJC after getting out of coaching for one season.

Wright, 44, was born in Murchison, but grew up and attended school in Brownsboro before heading to East

Texas State University where he received his bachelor's degree in biology and physical education and his



Delton Wright

Rick Langley

master's degree in secondary education.

Langley, 39, was born in Natchitoches, LA, and came to Texas as a youngster and quarterbacked at Blinn College before an injury ended his football career. Langley then went on to receive his bachelor's degree in health and physical education and master's degree in administration

from the University of Houston.

A four-year stint in the U.S. Air Force sent Langley to Vietnam during the 1960s and upon returning to the States, he landed his first coaching position at Trinity Lutheran in Houston. Then it was on to C. E. King, where he hooked up with McGinty and the rest is history.

After Wright graduated from East Texas State, he spent a year as head basketball coach at Chico before returning to the Rose City where he taught and coached at Moore and Hubbard junior high schools. Wright then taught biology and served as an assistant coach at Robert E. Lee High School for eight years before coming to TJC.

Langley and Wright are an integral part of the Apaches' winning program under McGinty as they coach the offensive backs and defensive secondary, respectively.



## Back-to-back champs

The Tyler Junior College Apache tennis teams sure know how to do it up right at national tournaments.

During the National Junior College Athletic Association Tennis Championships in Ocala, FL, during May, TJC men's team came from behind to cop top honors and TJC's women's squad finished second to a highly-touted Palm Beach group.

TJC couldn't have asked for a better finish, especially since the Apaches will host the NJCAA men's tennis tournament next May.

Five members of TJC's men's team were named All-American, while all of the women's team made that elite list.

"This is just an unbelievable feeling," said TJC first-year coach Robert Cox, a former All-American at TJC. "It's very rare for a team to win back-to-back championships (TJC's men were co-champs in 1984 and the Apache Ladies won it outright in '84) It's a fantastic feeling for me. I think we worked harder than any junior college team in the nation, but it's a tribute to the program and the administration who were behind us. It's by far the greatest accomplishment of my life."

The Apaches came into the final day of the tournament two points behind



Coach Robert Cox, right center, with his winning Apache tennis teams.

Palm Beach in the team standings. But TJC battled back by winning all four of their final championship matches on that hot and humid day, which secured the team title.

"Coming into the day, I thought the odds were very, very small that we could pull it off," Cox noted. "Here we are two points behind and they (Palm Beach) have so much depth and talent. I was looking at their opponents and figured they would take command, but strange things can happen."

And strange things did happen.

Joey Johnson got things rolling for the Tribe with a 2-6, 7-6, 6-4 thriller over Urban Lundquist from Palm Beach in Flight 3 singles and TJC's Scott Marshall dropped Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College's (ABAC) Nick Doboys, 6-2, 6-2, 7-6 in Flight 4.

Then Apache Clay Parten came through with flying colors, putting McLennan Community College's Rolando Zamora away, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1, to claim the Flight 6 crown.

After those three victories, TJC was assured of no less than a tie for the team title.

Then came the real pressure.

But TJC netters Dave Tibbetts of Whitehouse and Clay Parten from Houston responded with a 7-6, 7-5 sweep of Mike Giorgetti and Dubois of ABAC.

And that secured the national championship for the Apaches.

Overall, TJC won the tournament with 40 points, followed by No. 2 Palm Beach with 39 points, No. 3 McLennan with 33 points and Midland with 32 points.

## Football conference expands

Members of the Texas Junior College Football Conference voted unanimously in January to enlarge the Conference to include all junior colleges in the state which have football programs.

Tyler Junior College President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins, who is president of the TJCF, announced that three schools will now be added to the Conference; Cisco, Ranger and Navarro. The Conference currently includes Tyler Junior College, Kilgore

College, Henderson County Junior College, Blinn College and Wharton County Junior College.

"The enlarging of the Conference, a new scholarship arrangement, and the adoption of the National Junior College Athletic Association's eligibility rules are expected to be positive steps toward achieving the goals of the Conference," Hawkins said.

"These measures will allow more students the opportunity to participate in intercollegiate athletics at the junior

college level, improve the caliber of competition and permit better scheduling among the Texas junior colleges which play football."

Under the new scholarship arrangement approved, there will be no restriction on the number of players on each team's roster. However, the total financial aid provided to the student athletes by each college could not exceed the equivalent of 35 full-time scholarships per year.



# Commencement '85: 'always set goals'

Set a goal of what you want to be doing 10 years from now, decide what it will take to achieve it, then every day work to reach the goal, State Senator Ted Lyon told 559 Tyler Junior College graduates at commencement May 14 at Wagstaff Gymnasium.

"No matter where you are or what age you are, you can always set goals to improve yourself," Lyon said. "Don't settle for any less than the best. Success comes from picking yourself up again and again."

Lyon recalled his father advising him that being the best at whatever he chose to do was more important than the choice of what to do.

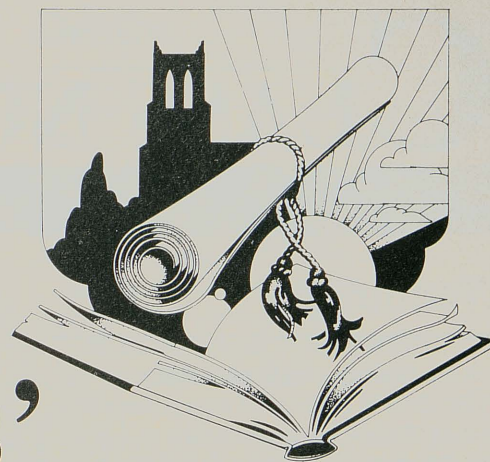
Lyon has been a member of the Texas Senate since 1983 and as a member of the Texas House of Representatives from 1979-83. He resides in Rockwall and is senior partner in Lyon and Lyon Attorneys in Mesquite. He also maintains a Tyler office.

In 1981, he successfully sponsored the generic drug substitution bill and a comprehensive ethics reform package. Common Cause of Texas honored him as Legislator of the Year in 1981, and also in the same year Law Enforcement Associations of Texas chose him one of Ten Best Legislators. Elected Outstanding Freshman Legislator by the Texas House in 1979, Lyon was named one of Five Outstanding Young Men by the Texas Jaycees. He was honored in 1979 by *Texas Observer Magazine* as having one of the top five voting records on consumer issues in the Texas House.

Presiding at commencement was TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins. The invocation was given by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Milam J. Joseph, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, and the welcome was given by Jim M. Vaughn, M.D., vice presi-

dent of the TJC Board of Trustees. Dr. Raymond Van Cleef, TJC vice president of educational and student services, certified the graduates. Conferring of degrees and presentation of certificates was made by Hawkins and

members of the Board of Trustees. The associate of arts degree was awarded to 307, the associate of applied science degree was awarded to 214, and 38 received proficiency certificates.



## The moxie to win

Graduation is an exciting time for students. It marks the end of many long hours of hard work and application. But for two of Tyler Junior College's students, graduation was more than special.

Shane Landry, confined to a wheelchair since a high school football

game accident, and Suzette Selvidge, a polio victim who for 28 years has been virtually confined to an iron lung, were present in Wagstaff Gym to be handed their diplomas by TJC's President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins. Each was given a standing ovation.

Landry, an agriculture major, received an associate in arts degree, as did Selvidge, who was able to attend commencement thanks to a portable air support system.

They both graduated with honors.

Mary Peddy, TJC counselor who has worked closely with the two grads had this to say:

"It has been very gratifying to see Shane grow and develop as a student while at TJC. He has been very willing to work and study, to go to whatever length to achieve."

Landry will attend Texas A&M University this fall.

"Through Suzie, I have realized how much people really do care. Her attending TJC has meant the total involvement of so many people. Suzie never gives up. She is such an inspiration not only to counselors, faculty and staff but also to the students . . . I am so very proud of her."

Selvidge will attend the University of Texas at Tyler.



Shane Landry



# CLASS NOTES

## Weddings

**Kate Murray** and **Mark Sellars** of Tyler. She is employed as a sales person at McCoy Lumber and he is a mechanic at Contractor Supplies.

**Heather Lynn Oswald** of Tyler and **Donald Taylor Armstrong** of Chapel Hill. She is employed as a cashier at Glass Self Service and he is employed as a driver at Langford Wholesale Lumber Co. in Whitehouse where they reside.

**Angela Kay Spencer** of Longview and **Gene Craig Tidwell** of Whitehouse. She is attending the University of Texas at Tyler and is employed at Mama's House Day Care Center in Whitehouse and he is employed at Attaway Laminated Plastics in Tyler. They reside in Whitehouse.

**Cristen Ann Potts** and R. Randall Krupicka of Tyler. She is a secretary for Tyler-Smith County Welfare Unit.

**George Anne Stile** of Lindale and **Keith Calmes** of Tyler. She is an investigator for Equifax and he is a supervisor for Owens Country Sausage. They reside at Lake Palestine.

**Edgar H. "Eddie" Almand III** of Tyler and **Betty Elaine Hill** of Missouri City. He is employed at Almand's House of Furnishings in Tyler.

**William Thomas Carrell** and **Suzanne Cheavens** of Tyler. They reside in Telluride, CO.

**Larry D. Pack** and **E. Joy Kindred** of Tyler. He is owner of Quality Roofing Inc.

**Tanya Marie Faust** of Tyler and **John Romulad Eberhardt** of Houston. She is attending the University of Houston College of Pharmacy.

**Lisa Karol Bass** of Conroe and **Bruce Alan Copeland** of Tyler. She will be an August graduate of the University of Texas at Tyler and he is a self-employed home builder.

**Debra Ann Walker** and **Paul Nolen Lilly** of Tyler. She attends the University of Texas at Tyler and is employed as an optician at Charles Optical and he is a lab technician at Cheetah 1 Hour Photo.

**Bernadette Ates** of Tyler and **Darryl Hampton** of Winona. They reside in Dallas.

**William Adrian Zeiss** and **Leslie Ann Doyle** of Dallas. He is employed at Atrium Door Co. of Dallas.

**Beverly Kay Scruggs** and **Michael David Nelson** of Tyler. She is a receptionist at American National Bank and he is a sales representative for Award Foods Inc.

**Amanda Ann Cates** of Quitman and **Dwight Thomas Curtis**, M.D. They reside in Lake Charles, LA.

**Josette Cullins** and **Daniel Gene Garrett** of Tyler. She is a graphic arts technician at Tyler Junior College.

**Melonie Rice** and **Jim Cox** of Tyler. She is a receptionist at First Federal Savings and Loan in Nacogdoches where they reside.

**Robin Scott Mosely** and **Kelly Ann Cluiss** of Tyler. He attends the University of Texas at Tyler and is employed by Bill Brown Farms & Produce.

**Kevin Glen Stanley** and **Sunnye McEver** of Troup. He is a machinist in Tyler where they reside.

**Sherisa Lee Pritchett** of Tyler and **William Mark Walker** of Bullard. He is in the U.S. Air Force. They reside in

Chanute Air Force Base, IL.

**Kathy Jo Dike** of Bossier City, LA and **Kevin Michael Cowart** of Haughton, LA. She is manager of Coach House Gifts in Bossier City where they reside.

**Angela Logan** of Tyler and **William Ladd Thompson** of Jackson, TN. She is employed as an administrative assistant for Vista Host. They reside in Mineola.

**Tamra Yarbrough** and **Louay Mezayek** of Tyler. She is employed by Harris Realty.

**Carla Deniece Adams** and **Richard Keith Cochran** of Tyler. She is a beauty consultant at Dillard's and he is working towards a master's degree in business administration at the University of Texas at Austin. They reside in Austin.

**Kelley Lee Warren** and **Mark Jeffrey Brunelli** of Tyler. She is a receptionist at Southwest Omni Development.

**Misty L. Heath** of Troup and **Darin A. Swift** of Wasilla, AK. She is attending the University of Anchorage, AK where they reside.

**Wendy Ann Wood** and **Mark Wade Chapman** of Tyler. She is employed by Smith County Abstract Company.



On behalf of a new organization, Tyler Association of Pharmaceutical Sales, Keith Ingram, center, organization president, presents TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins with a \$500 check to establish a scholarship for the College's nursing program. Looking on is instructor/coordinator of associate degree nursing Marie Jackson.



## Jobs/Promotions

**Mike Ferguson** of Tyler has been promoted to general manager of Jack O'Diamonds Lincoln-Mercury-Honda dealership.

**Jerry W. Arnold** of Tyler has been named a supervisor for restaurant operations of Texas Cooper Corp.

Airman **Malcolm S. Svahla** '81 has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft maintenance course at Sheppard Air Force Base.

**Traci Lynn Kenner** of Tyler this spring was presented the Distinguished Student Award for 1984-85 by the University of Texas at Tyler Alumni Association. She holds a B.B.A. degree in accounting from the university and will enter Baylor University School of Law this fall.

**Larry Austin Green** and **L. D. Hardy** have been named to new management positions with Commonwealth Life and Accident Insurance Co. Green is manager of the firm's East Texas and Shreveport, LA operations and Hardy is assistant manager of the Tyler office.

**Pat Holmes Parsons** '78 of The Colony is a housewife and works part time at the public library.

**Rebecca Riley Glass** '74 of Dallas is a dental hygienist for Edward P. Allen, D.D.S., Ph.D.

**Mrs. D. K. "Lottie" Caldwell** of Tyler was honored this spring by the Tyler City Council of Beta Sigma Phi during their 54th Founder's Day Celebration. She is the third recipient of the organization's First Lady of the Year Award.

**John Paul Price** of Tyler has been named a director for Bank of East Texas, Tyler. He is an independent oil operator, real estate developer and partner in Bracken Oil Company.

**R. B. "Breck" Watson III** of Tyler has been named an advisory director of Bank of East Texas, Tyler. He is president of Tyler Lumber and Salvage and also serves as vice president of Watson Brick and Fireplace Co.

Airman **1st Class James A. Wehnt** '84 has graduated from the U.S. Air Force automatic tracking radar course at Keesler Air Force Base, MS. He is now serving with the 1st Combat Evaluation Group in Powell, WY.

**Marianne Rose Clark** of Whitehouse this spring received her doctor of osteopathy degree from Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort

Worth. She also holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Texas at Tyler. She is doing an internship at Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center and plans residency in neurology and anesthesiology.

**J. Chris Pinkerton** of Chapel Hill has been elected senior vice president and a director of South Broadway Bank of Tyler. His area of responsibility is marketing.

**Dr. Charles Rorie** of Dyersburg, TN has been accepted by Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management. The Harvard post-doctoral program is for senior level administrators and focuses on leadership and management skills. Upon completion of the program, Rorie will return to Dyersburg where he is dean of Dyersburg State Community College.

**Hal Fair** of Pearsall has been named editor of the weekly newspaper *Pearsall Leader*. He received his bachelor of journalism degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

**Cheryl Boyett Brown** '67 of Tyler, child development specialist with the Texas Department of Human Resources, Region 7, was the second speaker in TJC's "Crossroads: Women Making Choices," series of seminars dealing with issues facing women in today's world. Brown, who received her master's degree from East Texas State University, spoke on "Selecting Child Care."

**Ray Tunnell** '48 of Dallas is vice president of Monarch Paper Company.

**Kathleen Mary Murphy** of Bullard this spring received the doctor of medicine degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. She is a surgical internist at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania State University, and will complete her residency there in otolaryngology.

**Bob Bowman** of Lufkin has been named trustee and administrator of the Pineywoods Foundation, a new East Texas charitable foundation. As administrator, he will direct the foundation's review of grant requests and foundation projects. Bowman is also president of Bob Bowman & Associates, a marketing and public relations firm with operations in Lufkin and Tyler.

**Gretchen Uhl Ryan** '79 and **Robert Ryan** '79 of Grand Prairie are parents of a baby boy, Craig Lee. Robert is data processing manager of Dulworth Data Inc.

## Deaths

**John W. Cobb** of Tyler died April 7 after a lengthy illness. He was a retired school principal and teacher.

**Mike Mitchum** of Tyler died April 11 from injuries received in an automobile accident.

**Marshelia Ann Mallett** of Tyler died April 24 after a brief illness.

**Kirk Daren Jones** '85 died May 10 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

**Stephon Dewberry** died May 25 in a Tyler hospital.

**R. A. Fairhurst** of West Winfield, NY died May 28 after a sudden illness.

**Dorothy Doloh Woodward** '56 of Tyler died May 28 after a long illness.

**Debra Renee Cofer** '85 of Winnsboro died May 29 after a long illness.

**Michael Dennis DuPree** of Lindale.

**Joe Wayne Haines Jr.** of Tyler.

**Rev Charles J. Neighbors** and his wife **Kathy Ann Moore Neighbors** of Nacogdoches died June 19 from injuries received in an automobile accident. Charles was pastor of Fredonia Hills Baptist Church in Nacogdoches.

## TJC receives \$4,000 grant

Tyler Junior College has received a \$4,000 Halliburton Foundation Grant to be used by the Drafting and Petroleum Technology Programs and the division director of industrial technology in the School of Technology.

The money was used for faculty development, Charles Sowders, division director, said.

"The recommendations received from faculty indicate their wishes for the Halliburton Grant money to be divided equally among the instructors involved in order to attend workshops," Sowders said.

## Art classes paint mural

Two TJC art classes painted a mural in one of Tyler's city parks this spring. The graffiti was first whitewashed and then the picture done. "The city parks officials seemed excited about this project," said TJC art coordinator C. J. Cavanaugh Jr., "and pictures may be planned for other city parks."



# Early birds cut through red tape



For Margaret Miller of Houston, Summer Freshman Orientation and Early Registration at Tyler Junior College was not so much an opportunity to be persuaded but a chance to reaffirm her commitment.

"I've known since November that I wanted to attend TJC," Miller, a 1985 graduate of Bellaire High School, said. Verna Martin, TJC admissions counselor, had visited Miller's school and the soon-to-be freshman was sold.

"Freshman orientation has helped a lot . . . I've gotten to know people already," Miller, who attended one of the summer sessions with her parents, said. She picked TJC because "I want to go to a smaller school with small classes so I can get a better education."

This summer, six sessions of Freshman Orientation and Early Registration were offered, allowing new students a chance to complete fall registration early and to provide a better selection of a class schedule, according to Dr. L. A. Barnes, TJC counselor who organized and coordinated the program.

Limited to 250 incoming freshmen each session, the summer sessions give students "a taste of college life and a chance to meet their new classmates. They become familiar with the campus and have the opportunity to spend two nights in a residence hall on campus," Barnes said.

Students are encouraged to bring their parents to the three-day session. A special orientation is held just for the parents, and Margaret's mother, Virginia Miller, seconded her daughter's feelings.

"From the parents' perspective, freshman orientation is very worthwhile. We feel very good about Margie going to school here."

DeeAnn Bullard and Amy Burden, 1985 graduates of Wills Point High School, both attended a session this summer by themselves and both agreed it was a valuable experience.

"I think freshman orientation has been handled very nicely and efficiently. The sessions are very informative and they've really kept us busy," Bullard said.

The two had decided to attend TJC before going to freshman orientation because of "its reputation as one of the better junior colleges and it's close to home," they said.

During the sessions, students were involved in assessment testing to assist in class placement. Barnes explained that the tests determine the students' level of reading, mathematics and English skills. Career and degree counseling, advisement with a professional advisor and help with the selection of classes are also offered during the sessions.



*DeeAnn Bullard, left and Amy Burden, Wills Point coeds, get a taste of college life during Summer Freshman Orientation.*





## TJC Foundation and you

For nearly 60 years Tyler Junior College has played a vital role in the economic, cultural and educational life of the East Texas area. Founded in 1926, the College has grown from a few buildings and a handful of students to a 73-acre campus with 27 buildings, and an enrollment of over 7,000.

The primary purpose of Tyler Junior College has always been to provide quality education at minimal costs to students varying in interests, aptitudes, talents, needs and goals.

Today, TJC is pursuing this purpose with renewed dedication and spirit. Thus, the Tyler Junior College Foundation was reactivated in 1983. The Foundation is a non-profit corporation whose resolve is to strengthen the higher educational resources of Texas by encouraging a program of benefactions to Tyler Junior College.

The Foundation provides an agency authorized to receive and administer gifts on behalf of the College. The organization is governed by selected community leaders who make up the Board of Directors and the Development Council.

The Foundation seeks financial support from all of you who are interested in the continuation of the pursuit of excellence in education at Tyler Junior College.

Gifts to the Foundation may be made in a variety of ways which will attain your particular desires, as well as achieve tax benefits and philanthropic satisfaction for you.

A number of attractive planning options are available which can be of benefit to you and also make a significant contribution to the College.

The simplest type of donation is an outright cash gift, unrestricted. This means TJC can use the funds for the purpose of enhancing all the programs and projects of the College.

A cash gift to TJC during your lifetime has the advantage of giving you a two-way tax break. One, you get an income tax deduction during your lifetime, and two, the value of the gift is no longer in your estate for estate tax purposes.

On the other hand, if you are not ready to give up the potential income from property during your lifetime, because you need it or want it, then a gift under your will affords your heirs an estate tax deduction for the value of the gift.

Naming Tyler Junior College irrevocable beneficiary of an insurance policy is one way that will enable many of you to make a larger gift because the money outlay is often small. An advantage to you is that everytime you make a premium payment on the policy, you can deduct it from your income tax.

While only a brief description of several planning options is given above, ways to make gifts to the College can range from A to Z. For more information, contact the associate vice president, Office of Development and College Relations, Tyler Junior College, P. O. Box 9020, Tyler, TX 75711. Phone 214/531-2497.





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